# **Approved 7/24/06 MINUTES FOR:**

#### MID-CITY LOCAL HUMAN RIGHTS COMMITTEE

**April 24, 2006** 

LHRC Members:	Staff & Programs
Chris Young, Chair	T. W. Neumann; T W Neumann & Associates
Richard Thompson	Patricia Coale, Andrea Long; Child and Family Services
Dani Vedros	Corey Brooks; Community Solutions
Clifford Hoffman, Vice-Chair	Amanda Grizzard; Restorer of Broken Walls
	Linda Morris, Margie Powell; Jamurbei, LLC
Absent:	Willie Barnes, Advocate, Office of Human Rights
Bob Musico, Secretary	
	Absent:
	Choice, Inc.

Meeting convened at 4:00 PM by Mr. Young. The minutes for the last meeting 1-23-06 were read and approved.

Programs gave their reports: There were no incidents or allegations to report during the past quarter from the programs in attendance and there have been no significant changes in programs (excepting a new address for Restoter of Broken Walls May 1).

#### **New Business:**

Community Solutions: presented that they are planning to apply for a DMHMRSAS License for a new program to address independent living issues for MR adults and are requesting LHRC affiliation for this program. A motion was made and seconded: That the Mid-City LHRC accept the Community Solutions adult MR program when it is developed and licensed. Passed

Child and Family Services: presented a modification of their Human Rights Plan to reflect some changes in the program. A motion was made and seconded: That the Mid-City LHRC will accept the changes in the Child and Family Services HR Plan contingent on a letter of acceptance form the HR office. Passed

## Jamurbei, LLC program,

A motion was made and seconded: "That Mid-City LHRC accept the Jamurbei, LLC program rules of conduct as presented. Passed

There was a discussion by the committee about the absences and lack of contact from Choice, Inc. It was noted that Human Rights had made a site visit and the need for a Choice representative to attend the LHRC was reiterated recently. A motion was made that a letter be sent to Choice, Inc. notifyi9ng them that their affiliation with Mid-City LHRC is terminated and that if they wish to be reinstated they should appear at the scheduled July 24, 2006 meeting.

There was discussion about the fact that Chris Young and Bob Musico complete their terms on June 30, 2006 and are ineligible for reappointment. This will leave two openings for the LHRC one for consumer and one for family interest. An effort will be made to try and fill them prior to the next meeting in July.

## Programs requesting affiliation:

**AJ&T Independent Group Homes**, an independent MR waiver group home providing long term residential care to 5 consumers was present by Mr Rizal Cruz and Ms Alisha Cruz.

A motion was made and seconded: That the Mid-City LHRC accept affiliation of AJ&T Independent Group Homes. Passed

A motion was made and seconded: That Mid-City LHRC accept the AJ&T Independent Group Homes program rules of conduct as presented. Passed

**Alternative Family Treatment Services**, a provider of MH home based services, OP mental health services and OP substance abuse services applying for a license from DMHMRSAS presented by Ms. Betty Gray-Hanson. A motion was made and seconded: That the Mid-City LHRC accept affiliation of Alternative Family Treatment Services on a temporary basis until it receive a license from DMHMRSAS. Passed

A motion was made and seconded: That Mid-City LHRC accept the Alternative Family Treatment Services program rules of conduct as presented. Passed

The advocate will email Ms. Braggs regarding progress in the licensing of Alternative Family Treatment Services.

**Prosperity Homes, LLC,** a MR waiver residential service also providing respite care serving 4 clients applying for a license from DMHMRSAS presented by Ms. Myrna Gonzalez and Alicia Janilino.

A motion was made and seconded: That the Mid-City LHRC accept affiliation of Properity Homes , LLC on a temporary basis until it receive a license from DMHMRSAS. Passed

A motion was made and seconded: That Mid-City LHRC accept the Properity Homes , LLC rules of conduct as presented. Passed

Ms. Barnes presented some wording changes recommended for the By-Laws. Thanks to Ms. Barnes' previous recommendations the By-Laws were mostly up to date. A motion was made and seconded: That the recommended wording changes be made to the BY-Laws. Passed

A motion was made and seconded: That the Mid-City LHRC is closed to further program affiliation until further notice. Passed

New officers were nominated and elected:

Mr. Cliff Hoffman, Chair

Ms. Dani Vedros, Vice-Chair

Mr. Rick Thompson, Secretary

Meeting adjourned at 7:00 PM.

**PLEASE NOTE**: The next regular quarterly meeting of Mid-City LHRC is scheduled for,

Monday, July 24, 2006 at 4:00 PM at

**Child and Family Services of Eastern Virginia** 

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# **Meeting Announcement:**

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Monday, July 24, 2006 at 4:00 PM at Child and Family Services of Eastern Virginia 222 West 19<sup>th</sup> Street Norfolk, VA Telephone 757-622-7017